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Mr. Dale Thompson

Dear Mr. Thompson:

On behalf of Mr. Dulles, I should like to thank you for your letter of 27 March.


It is regretted that we are unable to furnish you with any material on the subjects you requested; however, I am attaching a list of some publications in this field which I hope you will find helpful.

Sincerely,

  
Assistant to the Director

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Dear sir:

I am writing an essay for my High school class on Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing. I would appreciate any information you could give me in this field. I would especially like to know about the various types of substitution and transposition ciphers. I would appreciate information concerning the types of codes. Perhaps you could send me copies of various codes and ciphers that are not in use or are foreign methods broken by the U.S. I would like to know the common types of secret inks and their developers. Also I would greatly appreciate any information on word and letter frequency tables and cryptanalysis. Any information will be very much appreciated.

Respectfully,

Gale Thompson

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